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**JACKSON: COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE THROUGH CONGRESSIONAL
BLACK CAUCUS FOUNDATION**

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation recently announced the availability of Strive for Excellence scholarships eligible to current college students and those preparing to enter. The office of Congressman Jesse L. Jackson, Jr. encourages residents of the 2nd Congressional District to consider applying. The deadline is April 1st.

"Higher education is the great economic equalizer, but in these difficult times finding the resources to pay for college is truly difficult. I am pleased that the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation is offering these Strive for Excellence scholarships and I encourage any of my constituents who are currently in college or will be soon to apply," said Congressman Jackson.

Details on how to apply are below:

Apply for the 2011 CBCF Strive for Excellence Scholarship

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation is accepting applications for the 2011 CBCF Strive for Excellence Scholarship. The Strive for Excellence Scholarship was established in 2006 with a gift from Walmart intended to expand CBCF Scholarship and Internship programs,

based upon Walmart's belief in operating locally and giving back globally. For that reason, recipients are expected to have demonstrated the potential to make a great impact on their local community. The award amount for 2011 is to be decided and based upon the number of participating Congressional Black Caucus members. Applicants must be currently enrolled or preparing to enroll full time at an accredited college or university, have a minimum 2.5 GPA, and exhibit leadership ability as well as participation in community service activities. Deadline for all application materials is April 1st; for more information or to apply please visit <http://cbcfinc.org/scholarships.html>

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